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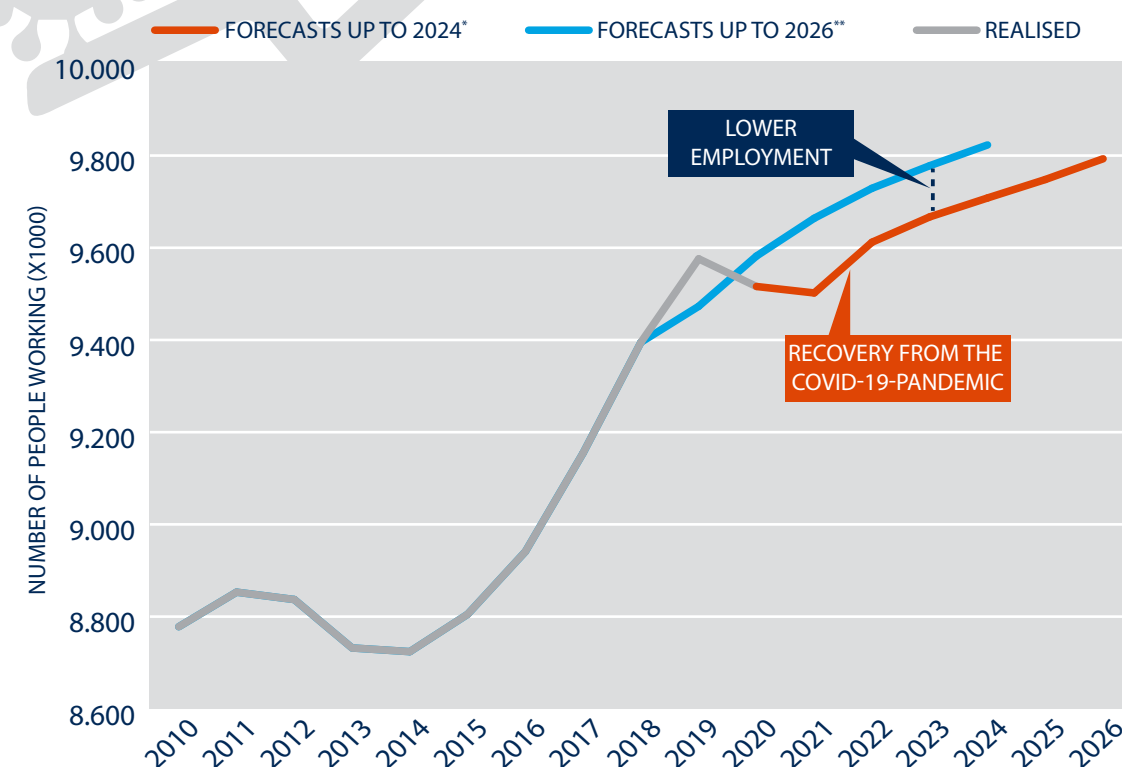
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LABOUR MARKET FORECASTS UP TO 2026

Factsheet
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EXPECTED LABOUR DEMAND UNTIL 2026 IS LOWER THAN BEFORE

Although the recovery of employment following the Covid-19-pandemic is proceeding rapidly this and next year, the outlook for the next 6 years is less favourable than projected before the pandemic.

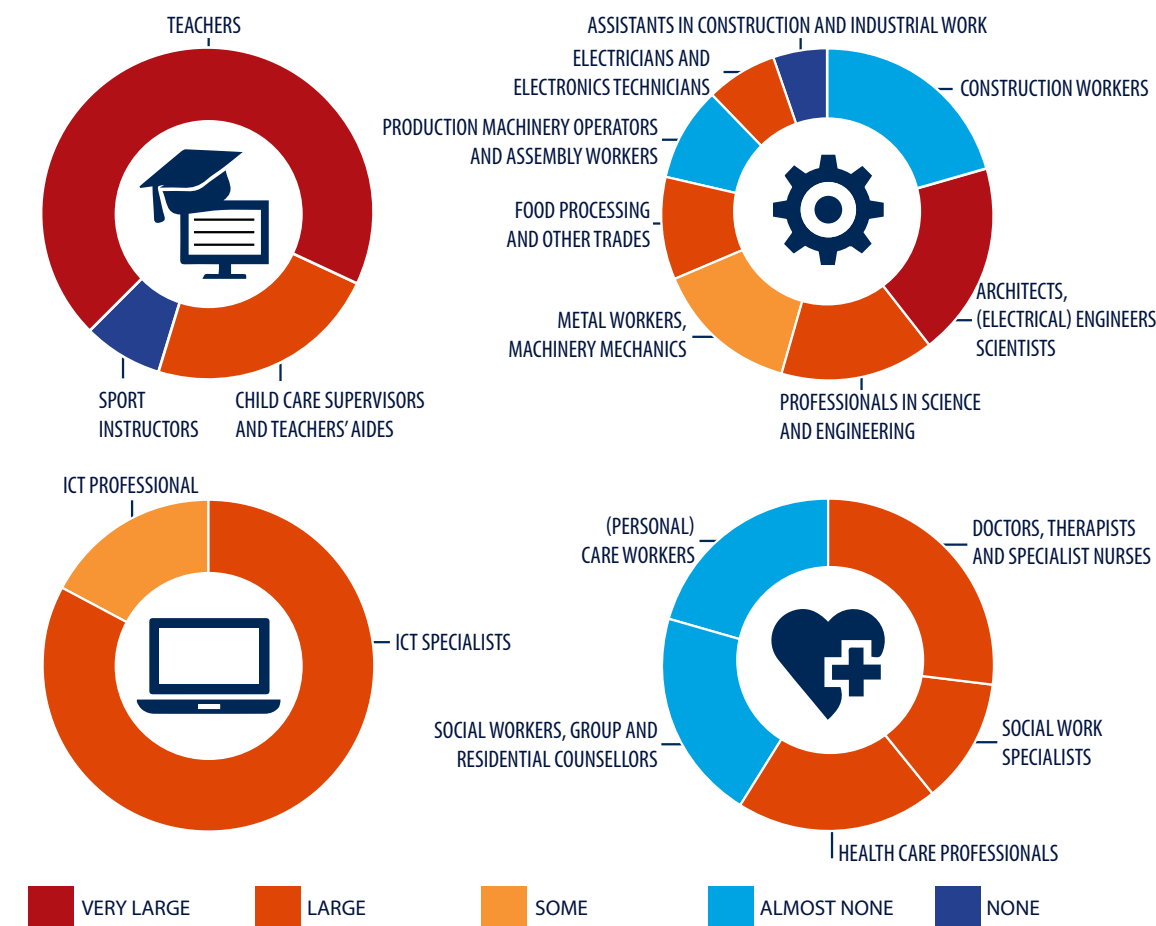


2mln JOB OPENINGS UNTIL 2026

More than 2 million job openings are expected during the next six years. The need to replace people who (temporarily) leave the labour market due to reasons such as retirement and disability accounts for almost 90% of the job openings. The remaining demand is caused by economic growth.

1,6mln INFLOW UNTIL 2026

MAJOR BOTTLENECKS FOR EMPLOYERS IN EDUCATIONAL, SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING, ICT AND HEALTHCARE OCCUPATIONS



LABOUR MARKET PROSPECTS BY EDUCATION

| MBO3 | MBO4 | BACHELOR | MASTER |
|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| AGRICULTURE | AGRICULTURE | AGRICULTURE AND SCIENCE | AGRICULTURE AND SCIENCE |
| ENGINEERING AND ICT | ENGINEERING AND ICT | ENGINEERING AND ICT | ENGINEERING AND ICT |
| ECONOMY AND SOCIETY | ECONOMY AND SOCIETY | ECONOMY AND SOCIETY | ECONOMY AND SOCIETY |
| HEALTH AND SERVICES | HEALTH AND SERVICES | HEALTH AND EDUCATION | HEALTH AND EDUCATION |

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UNCERTAINTY

The forecasts are subject to increased uncertainty because the short and long-term effects of the Covid-19-pandemic on the demand and supply side of the labour market are still unclear. This concerns the effects on economic growth but also on long-term trends such as automation, skills upgrading and increased flexibility of jobs.



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